

7. Canada has been a faithful adherent of the sports boycott first agreed at the Commonwealth Meeting in 1977. We are now reaffirming our backing of the boycott on sporting contacts between nationally-representative Canadian and South African athletes. For greater clarity and certainty in its application, the Minister of State for Fitness and Amateur Sports and I have agreed to specific guidelines. They are being issued today in the form of a press release and will be made widely available to sporting organizations. They cover contacts in Canada, South Africa and third countries.

8. The next measure relates specifically to Namibia. As a further voluntary measure, under Security Council Resolution 283, which recommended that countries end commercial activities related to Namibia by agencies under government control, the government has decided to terminate all toll-processing of Namibian uranium imported from South Africa. Such processing, has been carried out under contracts between Eldorado Nuclear, a crown corporation, and parties in third countries. Existing contracts will be honoured but no new contracts for the processing of Namibian uranium imported from South Africa will be entered into. Should South Africa set a date for the implementation of the UN Plan for Namibian independence, we shall consider rescinding this measure.

9. The Security Council recently recommended that governments prohibit the sale of Kruggerands in their jurisdiction. Because that may involve problems with GATT, we have decided to discourage their sale by drawing that resolution to the attention of all Canadians and by conveying it to the financial institutions which deal in gold coins. I would emphasize that the Security Council's resolution is not binding. There is therefore no coercion in this matter but our consultations make us confident that the recommendation will be respected.

10. Because cooperation between government departments and agencies may directly or indirectly lend support to the enforcement of apartheid, the government has decided to monitor more closely contacts between federal departments and agencies and departments and agencies of the South African Government, particularly in sensitive areas.

The measures I have cited reinforce Canada's opposition to apartheid. We are also introducing several measures specifically designed to help facilitate peaceful change.